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Sri V. K. Ramaswami Mudaliar :—" So for as I know, almost all the schools that have been sanctioned have been opened in Chingleput district."

Sri T. Ananta Pai :— :" May I know whether it is not a fact that single-teacher schools are nothing new and even before this scheme of opening single-teacher schools was introduced there were single-teacher schools in a good number of villages? "

The Hon. Sri C. Subramaniam :—" Permit me, Sir, to listen to the questions put. Hon. Members are carrying on a conversation."

Mr. Speaker :—" The remark made by the Hon. Minister is a reflection on the Chair. I hope, hereafter, perfect silence will be maintained in the House. No hon. Member will be allowed to speak and if any hon. Member wants to speak he will have to go out of the House. The remark of the Hon. Minister is a slur on the Speaker. It means that I am not able to control the House."

Sri T. Ananta Pai :—" May I know whether it is not a fact that single-teacher schools are nothing new and even before this scheme of opening single-teacher schools was introduced there were single-teacher schools in a good number of villages? "

The Hon. Sri C. Subramaniam :—" Yes, Sir, But the experience was that single-teacher schools were not functioning properly. That was why an attempt was made to convert all the single-teacher schools into two-teacher schools. But here also it is only a beginning and it will be stabilized by the appointment of additional teachers."

Steamer service to the Laccadives.

* 1482 *Q.*—Sri N. K. Palanisamy : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a steamer service to the Laccadives has been started; and

(*b*) if so, the number of ships that go to the island?

The Hon. Sri B. Parameswaran :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Sri N. K. Palanisamy :—" மத்திய சர்க்காரை இம்மாதிரி கப்பல் கட்டுவதற்குப் பணம் வேண்டுமென்று நம் சர்க்கார் கேட்டிருக்கிறார்கள் போலிருக்கிறது. அதை வைத்துக்கொண்டு கப்பல் கட்டுவதற்கு வேண்டிய நடவடிக்கையை சர்க்கார் எடுப்பார்களா? "

The Hon. Sri B. Parameswaran :—" மத்திய சர்க்காரிடமிருந்து பணம் வந்தவுடன் இதுபற்றிய விஷயம் யோசிக்கப்படும்."